AUTOMATED AUTHORING TOOL AND METHOD TO FACILIATE INCLUSION OF MAPS AND OTHER GEOGRAPHICAL DATA INTO TRAVELOGUES

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An automated or semi-automated authoring tool and method for incorporating maps and other geographical data in combination with text, photographs, and other multimedia data associated with a trip to produce a travelogue of the trip. The geographical travelogue authoring tool and method includes a number of geographically-oriented features that provide automation and are useful when blending the geographical data into the geographic travelogue. The geographic travelogue authoring method includes obtaining content items that are associated with a trip and geographically coding these content items. This serves to associate a geographic location from the trip with the content item. A map then is selected based on the trip, and the map and the geo-coded content items are automatically integrated with other multimedia data to generate the geographic travelogue.